UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 Release No. 30728/September 26, 2013

In the Matter of

Separate Account VA M

4333 Edgewood Road NE

Cedar Rapids, IA 52499

(811-22622)

ORDER UNDER SECTION 8(f) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 DECLARING THAT APPLICANT HAS CEASED TO BE AN INVESTMENT COMPANY

Separate Account VA M filed an application on July 3, 2013 and an amended and restated application on July 26, 2013, requesting an order under section 8(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act") declaring that it had ceased to be an investment company.

On August 30, 2013 a notice of filing of the application was issued (Investment Company Act Release No. 30683). The notice gave interested persons an opportunity to request a hearing and stated that an order disposing of the application would be issued unless a hearing was ordered. No request for a hearing has been filed, and the Commission has not ordered a hearing.

The matter having been considered, it is found, on the basis of the information set forth in the application, that applicant has ceased to be an investment company. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED, under section 8(f) of the Act, that applicant's registration under the Act shall immediately cease to be in effect.

For the Commission, by the Division of Investment Management, under delegated authority.

Kevin M. O'Neill Deputy Secretary